THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S. S. PALANIMANICKAM). (a) There are no arrears of GoI loans, given from Ministry of Finance, against Government of Tamil Nadu;

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Disinvestment of PSUs

†4215. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises disinvested during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the names of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, for which the disinvestment proposal is under consideration;

(c) whether any such proposal is under Government's consideration to reconsider those Industries and Public Enterprises which have been disinvested during the last three years and to bring them again under Government's control; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S. S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) The names of Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) disinvestment during the last three years are given in the statement (See below).

(b) In keeping with the National Common Minimum Programme guidelines, in the case of 13 profitable PSEs, *viz.* Manganese Ore India Limited, Sponge Iron India Limited, Shipping Corporation of India Limited, National Aluminium Company Limited, National Building Construction Corporation Limited, National Fertilizers Limited, Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Engineers India Limited, Balmer Lawrie and Company Limited, Engineering Projects India Limited, Hindustan Paper Corporation Limited and State Trading Corporation of India Limited, it has been decided to formally call off the process of disinvestment through Strategic Sale, .approved earlier. No decisions have been taken so far for disinvestment in any other specific Public Sector Enterprise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to part (c) above.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Names of Public Sector Enterprises disinvested during the last three years

Year	Mode of disinvestment	Name of PSE
2002-2003	1. Strategic Sale	1. Hindustan Zinc Limited, 2. Indian chemicals Corporation Limited. 3. Hotel Airport. Mumbai of Hotel Corporation India Limited 4. Ten hotel properties of India Tourism Development Corporation Limited. *viz.* (i) Kovalam Ashok Beach Resort, (ii) Ashok. (iii) Khajuraho Ashok. (iv) Ashok. (v) Aurangabad Ashok. (vi) New Delhi. (vii) Indraprastha. New (viii) Chandigarh Hotel Project. (ix) Hotal New Delhi and (x) Hotal Airport. Kolkata. Modern Food Industries (India) Limited of residual shareholding)
	2. Receipt of control premium on transfer of management control	1. Maruti Udyog Limited
2003-2004	1. Strategic Sale	1. Jessop & Company Ltd. and 2. Zinc Limited (Call Option)
	2- Initial Public Offer/offer for sale of residual shareholding of the Government	1. Maruti Udyog Limited. 2. IBP 3. Indian Petrochemicals Corporation and 4. CMC Limited.
	3. Offer for Sale of minority shareholding	1. Dredging Corporation of India Limited. 2. GAIL (India) Limited and 3. Oil and Gas Corporation Limited
2004-2005	Initial Public Offer	1. National Thermal Power Corporation Limited.

Higher customs duty on fixed phone instruments

4216. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fixed phone instruments attract a higher customs and excise duty as compared to mobile phones;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are considering lowering of customs and excise duty on fixed phones to encourage and promote the growth of fixed phones in India; and